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California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) Total, Public Assistance (PA)^{a/} and Nonassistance (NA)^{b/} Households - Annual Average Fiscal Years 1989/90 - 2000/01

TRENDS

NOTE: The number of CFAP households is the total CFAP-Only households plus the CFAP share of combined households (households which include federally and CFAP eligible persons). The CFAP share of combined households is calculated using a proration based on the number of Federal and CFAP persons in combined households.

CFAP annual average households decreased less than one-tenth of a percent between FY 99/00 and FY 00/01.

20.7% decrease in PA households

28.0% increase in NA households

• The ratio of Public Assistance and Nonassistance households fluctuated dramatically during FY 00/01. Applicable counties are pursuing questionable data.

PA household ratio decreased from 57.5% to 45.6% between 99/00 and 00/01

NA household ratio increased from 42.5% to 54.4% between 99/00 and 00/01

- In September 1997, the CFAP was implemented to provide food stamp benefits to a portion of the legal non-citizens who were excluded from participation in the Federal Food Stamp Program by Federal law.
- In September 1998, CFAP regulations were changed to expand the categories of legal immigrants who could participate in CFAP.
- In November 1998, Federal regulations were changed to restore Federal food stamp eligibility to some categories of legal non-citizens.

ANNUAL PERCENT CHANGE

	97/98	98/99	% Chg	99/00	% Chg	00/01	% Chg
Total	22,344	28,630	28.1%	26,938	-5.9%	26,937	0.0%
PA	14,921	18,624	24.8%	15,492	-16.8%	12,287	-20.7%
NA	7,423	10,006	34.8%	11,446	14.4%	14,650	28.0%

RATIO OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE AND NONASSISTANCE

	97/98	98/99	99/00	00/01
PA	66.8%	65.1%	57.5%	45.6%
NA	33.2%	34.9%	42.5%	54.4%

a/ Public Assistance means that all members of the food stamp household also receive cash assistanceb/ Nonassistance means that none (or just some) of the food stamp household members also receive cash assistance

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